

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 808

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jim Elliott on the occasion of his induction into the Morristown-Hamblen High School East Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor the memory of those citizens who are being remembered for their legacy as community leaders; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary individual is the late Jim Elliott, who was posthumously inducted into the Morristown-Hamblen High School East Hall of Fame as a contributor on January 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott grew up in Bell County, Kentucky, and was a 1962 graduate of Bell County High School; he then attended Kilgore College in Tyler, Texas, on a football scholarship; and

WHEREAS, upon his college graduation, Jim Elliott relocated to Morristown in 1967 and made the city his home, opening his manufacturing company, Woodcraft, Inc., three years later; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott was a highly respected member of his community who served as a sponsor and player on a Morristown Recreational League basketball team; he also participated in the Marine Corps Marathon in 1995; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many successes, Jim Elliott was grateful for the love and companionship he shared with his wife, Jane, and their three sons, Jamie, Tim, and Paul; and

WHEREAS, Jim Elliott epitomized the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and he will be remembered as one of the many noble citizens who have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Mr. Elliott, who used his considerable talents and resources to serve others during his time on this earth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of the late Jim Elliott on the occasion of his induction into the Morristown-Hamblen High School East Hall of Fame, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.